

REFERENCE TITLE: elections; automatic recount; margin

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Introduced by
Senator Miranda

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 16-661, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 16-661, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 16-661. Automatic recount; requirements; exemption

5 A. A recount of the vote is required when the canvass of returns in a
6 primary or general election shows that the margin between the two candidates
7 receiving the greatest number of votes for a particular office, or between
8 the number of votes cast for and against initiated or referred measures or
9 proposals to amend the Constitution of Arizona, is less than or equal to the
10 lesser of the following:

11 1. ~~One-tenth~~ ONE-FOURTH of one per cent of the number of votes cast
12 for both such candidates or upon such measures or proposals.

13 2. Two hundred votes in the case of an office to be filled by state
14 electors and for which the total number of votes cast is more than
15 twenty-five thousand.

16 3. Fifty votes in the case of an office to be filled by state electors
17 and for which the total number of votes cast is twenty-five thousand or less.

18 4. Two hundred votes in the case of an initiated or referred measure
19 or proposal to amend the constitution.

20 5. Fifty votes in the case of a member of the legislature.

21 6. Ten votes in the case of an office to be filled by the electors of
22 a city or town or a county or subdivision of a city, town or county.

23 B. Subsection A does not apply to elections for precinct committeemen,
24 school district governing boards, community college district governing
25 boards, fire district boards or fire district chiefs or secretary-treasurers
26 or boards of other special districts.